

committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, by a yea-and-nay vote of 288 yeas to 136 nays, Roll No. 172.

Pages H4141–43, H4193–98

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on House Administration now printed in the resolution shall be considered as adopted. **Page H4141**

H. Res. 294, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question without objection. **Pages H4141–43**

HIT Policy Committee—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Boehner, Minority Leader, in which he appointed Mrs. Gayle Harrell of Stuart, Florida to the HIT Policy Committee. **Page H4199**

Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy: Representatives Ruppertsberger, Cummings, Kline (MN), and Frelinghuysen. **Page H4215**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4136.

Senate Referrals: S. 681 was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. **Page H4248**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4143–44, H4144, H4145, H4186, H4186–87, H4187–88, H4197–98, H4198, H4198–99. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RURAL DEVELOPMENT—REVIEW INNOVATIVE APPROACHES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review innovative approaches to rural development. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Agriculture, on Rural Development and FDA. Testimony was heard from Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Army Aviation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: LTG Ross Thompson, USA, Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Acquisition, Logistics and Technology; BG William T. Crosby, USA, Programs Executive Officer of Aviation; and BG Walter L. Davis, USA, Director, Army Aviation, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G/3/5/7.

FINANCIAL SERVICES, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government held a hearing on the FTC. Testimony was heard from Jon Leibowitz, Chairman, FTC.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Securing the Nation's Rail and Transit System, Aviation Security Efficiency. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: John Sammon, Assistant Administrator, Transportation Sector Network Management, Transportation Security Administration; and W. Ross Ashley, Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs, FEMA.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Improving Aviation Security Efficiency. Testimony was heard from Gale Rossides, Acting Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Federal Role in the Arts. Testimony was heard from Representatives Slaughter and Platts; and public witnesses.

GREEN JOBS—ROLE IN OUR ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Green Jobs and their Role in our Economic Recovery. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PROTECTING CONSUMER ACCESS TO GENERIC DRUGS ACT OF 2009

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 1706, Protecting Consumer Access to Generic Drugs Act of 2009. Testimony was heard

from J. Thomas Rosch, Commissioner, FTC; and public witnesses.

HEALTHCARE ACCESS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Making Health Care Work for American Families: Protecting the Public Health. Testimony was heard from Richard E. Besser, M.D., Acting Director, CDC, Acting Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; Heather Howard, M.D., Department of Health and Senior Services, State of New Jersey; Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., Chair, Task Force on Community Preventive Services, Director, County Department of Public Health and County Health Officer, Los Angeles, California; David Satcher, M.D., former U.S. Surgeon General; and public witnesses.

FIRST RESPONDERS ALONG SOUTHWEST BORDER EXAMINING PREPAREDNESS AND COORDINATION

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response held a hearing entitled “Examining Preparedness and Coordination Efforts of First Responders Along the Southwest Border.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Richard C. Barth, M.D., Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy; and Janice Ayala, Deputy Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; MG Peter Aylward, Director, Joint Staff, National Guard Bureau, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

DOES PAYMENT CARD INDUSTRY DATA REDUCE CYBERCRIME

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Threats, Cybersecurity and Science and Technology held a hearing entitled “Do the Payment Card Industry Data Standards Reduce Cybercrime?” Testimony was heard from Rita Glavin, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL—TAX JURISDICTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on VoIP: Who Has Jurisdiction to Tax It? Testimony was heard from Phil Montgomery, member, Assembly, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, and the Subcommittee on Constitutional, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a joint hearing on H.R. 847, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Michael Cardozo, Corporation Counsel, City of New York; and public witnesses.

CALIFORNIA DROUGHT—ACTIONS BY FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES

Committee on Natural Resources: Held an oversight hearing entitled “The California Drought: Actions by Federal and State agencies to address impacts on lands, fisheries, and water users.” Testimony was heard from J. William McDonald, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Mary M. Glackin, Deputy Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Candy Thompson, Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs, Farm Service Agency, USDA; Mike Chrisman, Secretary, Natural Resources, State of California; and a public witness.

AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing on Afghanistan and Pakistan: Understanding and Engaging Regional Stakeholders. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Wendy J. Chamberlain, former Ambassador to Pakistan and Assistant Administrator, Asia and the Near East, U.S. Agency for International Development; Sean R. Roberts, former official, U.S. Agency for International Development, both with the Department of State; Deepa M. Ollapally, former U.S. Institute of Peace Program Director, Southern Asia Regional Security Issues; and public witnesses.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for general debate on H. Con. Res. 85, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010. The rule provides four hours of general debate, with three hours confined to the budget equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget and one hour on the subject of economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Carolyn Maloney of New York and Representative Kevin Brady of Texas. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution. Finally, the rule provides that

no further consideration shall be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House.

FAMILY SMOKING AND PREVENTION AND TOBACCO CONTROL ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by as non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1256, the "Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act." The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those rising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. It provides that the amendment printed in part A of the rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in part B of the report if offered by Rep. Steve Buyer of Indiana or his designee. The amendment printed in part B of the report shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that, in the engrossment of H.R. 1256, the Clerk shall add at the end of H.R. 1256 as new matter the text of H.R. 1804, as passed by the House. H.R. 1804 shall be laid on the table. Testimony as heard from Representatives Pallone, Buyer, Rogers of Michigan, and Burgess.

TO AMEND THE EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PROVISIONS OF THE EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT OF 2008 TO PROHIBIT UNREASONABLE AND EXCESSIVE COMPENSATION AND COMPENSATION NOT BASED ON PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1664, to amend the executive compensation provisions of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to prohibit unreasonable and excessive compensation and compensation not based on performance standards. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by

the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in this report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated in this report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank and Representatives Sherman, Bean, Grayson, Cardoza, Dahlkemper, Garrett of New Jersey, Rohrabacher, and Bilirakis.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1736, International Science and Technology Cooperation Act of 2009, H.R. 1709, STEM Education Coordination Act of 2009.

CLIMATE RESEARCH'S TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE ROLE

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on the Role of Research in Addressing Climate in Transportation Infrastructure. Testimony was heard from David Matsuda, Acting Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

COAL ASH WATER CONTAMINATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources, and Environment held a hearing on the Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Ash Slide: Potential Water Quality Impacts of Coal Combustion Waste Storage. Testimony was heard from Representative Lincoln Davis of Tennessee; Tom Kilgore, President and CEO, TVA; Stan Meiburg, Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4, EPA; Paul Sloan, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environment and Conservation, Tennessee; and public witnesses.

**WEALTHY AMERICAN TAXPAYERS
BANKING SECRECY**

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Banking Secrecy Practices and Wealthy American Taxpayers. Testimony was heard from Douglas H. Shulman, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

ARMENIA BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Armenia. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D302)

H.R. 146, to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture. Signed on March 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–11)

H.R. 1512, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program. Signed on March 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–12)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 1, 2009**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joe Leonard, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Civil Rights, Kathleen A. Merrigan, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Secretary, James W. Miller, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, and Dallas P. Tonsager, of South Dakota, to be Under Secretary for Rural Development, all of Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SH–216.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine assistance for civilian casualties of war, 10 a.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Afghanistan and Pakistan, with the possibility of a closed session following in SR–222, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of Wounded Warrior policies and programs, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, with the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to receive a joint closed briefing to examine nuclear terrorism, 3:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider the nomination of Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's renewable fuel standard, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection, to hold hearings to examine United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in the 21st Century, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine enhanced partnership with Pakistan, 3 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider H.R. 35, to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records, S. 599, to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty, S. 469, to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to modify the computation for part-time service under the Civil Service Retirement System, S. 615, to provide additional personnel authorities for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, S. 507, to provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in nonforeign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, S. 713, to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to quickly and fairly address the abundance of surplus manufactures housing units stored by the Federal Government around the country at taxpayer expense, S. 574, to enhance citizen access to Government information and services by establishing that Government documents issued to the public must be written clearly, S. Res. 87, expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 4 through 10, 2009, and the nominations of Jane Holl Lute, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security, and John Berry, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, and Ronald H. Weich, of the District of Columbia, to be an